(b) No, Sir. As per provisions of the above schemes, the funds are provided depending upon the number of SAI Centres and the trainees admitted in the Centres in that particular State.

(c) and (d) Talented sports persons are identified every year as per the prescribed procedure for admission in the SAI Schemes. The selected trainees are trained scientifically under the expert guidance of coaches for participation in various State and National level meets.

NRC Schemes in Orissa

4796. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of districts in Orissa, identified by Government for implementation of National Reconstruction Corps (NRC) Scheme for 2002-2003;

(b) the names of districts in which NRC Scheme has already been implemented successfully;

(c) whether certain bottlenecks have been noticed in Implementation of the scheme;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by Government to remove these bottlenecks for expeditious implementation of the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI P. RADHAKIRISHNAN): (a) Following three districts have been identified by the Government of India for implementation of National Reconstruction Corps (NRC) Scheme during 2002-2003:

(i) Sundergarh

(ii) Sambalpur

(iii) Keonjhar

(b) NRC Scheme is being implemented in the following districts of Orissa since 2001-2002:

1. Kalahandi
2. Koraput
3. Bolangir
4. Naupara
5. Phoolbani
6. Bubneshwar (Khurdha)
7. Mayurbunj

(c) to (e) In course of an internal evaluation conducted by the lack of co-ordination among various departments has as a major bottleneck. The Ministry has held a review with the DMs/DCs of the concerned NRC districts and impressed on them the need for ensuring effective co-ordination. Detailed guidelines, regarding the manner and modalities of the involvement of NRC volunteers in the implementation of various centrally sponsored schemes have also been issued.

Hosting 2003 ABILYMPICS

4797. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Delhi would be hosting 2002 Abilympic, the Olympics for the physically challenged, and whether preparations are underway;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the events that would be conducted;

(d) whether Government are making any efforts to help physically challenged persons, to perform well in these events;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI P. RADHAKIRISHNAN): (a) No, Sir. Government has not received any such proposal.

(b) to (f) Do not arise.